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FROM ATHERTON

U.S. DEL NO. 57

E.O.11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, EG, JO, US  
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SUBJECT: SADAT VIEWS ON WEST BANK/GAZA

REF: STATE 54289; CAIRO 6891

1. I THINK AMBASSADOR EILTS IS RIGHT IN  
BELIEVING THE EGYPTIANS ARE HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO  
CONVEYING THEIR VIEWS ON WEST BANK/GAZA, EVEN  
TO US, BECAUSE THEY FEAR THAT IF TRANSMITTED TO  
ISRAEL THEY WILL LEAK AND CAUSE EMBARRASSMENT TO  
THE GOE. ISRAELI CABINET SYSTEM BEING WHAT IT IS,  
WE MUST REALISTICALLY ESTIMATE CHANCES OF EGYPTIAN  
IDEAS LEAKING TO BE CONSIDERABLE IF WE BROACH THEM  
WITH BEGIN, REGARDLESS OF ANY STRICTURES WE MAKE TO  
THE ISRAELIS ABOUT HOLDING THEM CLOSELY. EVEN IF  
WE WERE TO PERSUADE SADAT TO LET US USE THE EGYPTIAN  
VIEWS WITH THE ISRAELIS, I WONDER IF WE WANT TO  
EXPOSE HIM TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS EMBARRASSMENT,  
PARTICULARLY IF IN THE COMING PERIOD WE ARE ALSO

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GOING TO HAVE TO ASK HIS UNDERSTANDING OF  
THE REASONS WHY WE NEED TO LET THE  
TIMETABLE SLIP ON THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES.  
IT SEEMS TO ME POSSIBLE IN ANY CASE TO  
ENGAGE BEGIN IN DISCUSSION OF THE WEST BANK/  
GAZA ISSUES, WITHOUT TALKING ABOUT EGYPTIAN  
IDEAS AT PRESENT, BY INDICATING TO HIM HOW

WE BELIEVE HIS SELF-RULE PLAN MUST EVENTUALLY  
BE MODIFIED IF IT IS TO BECOME AN ACCEPTABLE  
BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS. FOUNDATION FOR  
THIS HAS OF COURSE ALREADY BEEN LAID BY  
PRESIDENT'S TALK WITH BEGIN IN DECEMBER.

2. DEPARTMENT PLEASE REPEAT CAIRO AND  
TEL AVIV.  
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